

## **Agenda**

Lachat Town Farm Commission Monthly Meeting  
Weston Library  
Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 7:30pm

- A. Approval of minutes from the November 3rd , 2015 minutes.**
- B. Post mortem on 2015 season**
- C. Discussion of the Flea Market/Tailgate Tag Sale Event for 2016 in school parking lot**
  - a. set up committee and chair of the committee - this is a six month project**
  - b. committee to prepare a proposal for the commission on how it will be conducted, where, how many vendors, etc., etc.**
- D. Discussion about the Lachat farmhouse kitchen design**
- E. Request for new names (3) of people interested in being on the commission**
- F. Request all receipts and accounting for classes that have been held.**
- G. Greenhouse foundation and order in the process**
- H.. Reports from the following :**
  - 1. Community Garden and Children's Garden**
    - a. creating more garden plots in CG - Mike Smith and Ed Parker**
    - b. discussion on finding help for Kat at the CG**
    - c. preliminary discussion on what children's garden should look like - Michelle Fracasso**
    - d. discussion about flowers around the garden and having interns planting those gardens**
    - e. discuss the need for fencing around children's garden area-possible grant item**
  - 2. Farm Committee – Production Garden**
    - a. discussion concerning the barn planning grant - Ed Parker**
    - b. get soil test done - discuss soil ph**
    - c. crop plan for 2016 planting - contingent on having a farmer/educator to tend garden**
    - f. pick up of the chicken coop? - Ed Parker**
    - g. discussion about flowers around the garden and having interns planting those gardens**
  - 3. Programming Committee:**
    - a. Set up committee meeting as soon as possible with Michelle Albright**
    - b. list of possible programs and dates for 2016- Sue Parkison and Lily Edelman-Burns**
    - c. volunteer recruitment to help run programs**
    - d. discuss finances of all the programs to date- everyone to hand in receipts to fulfill grants, etc.**
  - 4. Fund-Raising Events Committee:**
    - a. Create Committee - outside volunteers?**
    - b. list of potential events**
    - c. designate grants to write**
  - 5. Farmhouse Committee – Carol Baldwin report**
    - 1. porch foundation in the process this week along with greenhouse foundation**
    - 2. Heat and electric**
    - 3. Indoor work: removal of paint, mold, mildew, etc.**
  - 6 Grounds Committee**
    - a. possible surveillance of the property to prevent stealing**
    - b. list of projects for volunteers - clean out loft of barn, weed around garden, move dirt piles**
    - c. make list of organizations willing to send volunteers**

- d. have fields mowed and the lower field limed. We are getting more and more invasive species because the ph balance is too low.

7. PR/Outreach Committee

- a. develop information plan to disseminate to schools and local websites about the farm and its upcoming programs - who will do this?
- b. reach out to schools through Michelle Albright and social media - need a plan

8. Discussion of building the children's garden in spring of 2016 - Michelle Fracasso

I. Website discussion - Facebook, Friends of Lachat website, twitter, instagram, etc. - Logo design

J. New Business -

- a. Kiwanis looking for projects - make a list
  - 1. help clean up large logs - split and pile
  - 2. clean up bank
  - 3. told them they can use the garages to make picnic tables in exchange for two tables and some bluebird houses for the farm
  - 4. help take down all the wood from the loft in the barn
  - 5. help take out fencing around children's garden so we can clean it out and get ready for the spring planting.
- b. AKC wants to use the barn to store some hay for the winter - need a vote on yes or no